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CLAIMS:

1.   Method of visualizing a pointer during interaction of the pointer with an
image, the pointer being controllable by a user, the method comprising:
           moving the pointer to a first position within the image by the user;
           displaying the pointer corresponding to an interaction mode related to the first
5   position within the image;
           selecting the interaction mode;
           moving the pointer to a second position within the image by the user while
performing the selected interaction mode upon the image; and
           hiding the pointer during moving the pointer to the second position within the
10   image.

2.   Method according to claim 1, wherein the image comprises a region of interest
and the step of hiding the pointer comprises hiding the pointer within the region of interest
during moving the pointer to the second position.

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3.   Method according to claim 1 or 2, the method further comprising displaying
the pointer during moving the pointer to the second position upon request by the user.

4.   System (500) for visualizing a pointer during interaction of the pointer with an
20   image, the pointer being controllable by a user, the system comprising:
           a mover (502) for moving the pointer to a first position within the image by
the user;
           a displayer (504) for displaying the pointer corresponding to an interaction
mode related to the first position within the image;
25   a selector (506) for selecting the interaction mode;
           a mover (502) for moving the pointer to a second position within the image by
the user while performing the selected interaction mode upon the image; and
           a hider (508) for hiding the pointer during moving the pointer to the second
position within the image.

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5.   System (500) according to claim 4, wherein the image comprises a region of interest and the hider (508) is arranged to hide the pointer within the region of interest during moving the pointer to the second position.

6.   System (500) according to claim 4 or 5, wherein the displayer (504) is further arranged to display the pointer during moving the pointer to the second position.

7.   Computer program product designed to perform the method according to any of the claims 1 to 3.

8.   Computer readable medium having stored thereon instructions for causing one or more processing units to perform the method according to any of the claims 1 to 3.

9.   An imaging diagnostic apparatus for carrying out the method according to any of the claims 1 to 3.